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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Applicants have received the Office Action mai ed June 30, 2003. Claims 1-47 are pending in this application. Since this response is being transmitted to the Office on September 24, 2003, this response is timely filed.

Interview Summary Record

Applicants thank the Office for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative during the interview with the Examiner conducted on September 12, 2003. Applicants agreed to submit a courtesy copy of the Information Disclosure Statement submitted by Applicants on August 27, 2002. The rejections of record were briefly discussed and Applicants agreed to submit a written response directed to the substance of those discussions.